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To: Ken Smith

From: Kelly Riley, Policy Liaison

Date: August 9, 2001

Subject: Potential Prospects for Contribution to the Trust for Jobs for

America's Graduates

Governor Musgrove requested that I provide the following information to you in response to your request for names of potential contributors:

Jim Ayers 901-847-4962

Mr. Ayers works in the finance industry in the Memphis/Nashville regional area.

Jim Barksdale
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650-234-5226 (CA office)

Mr. Barksdale is the managing partner of The Barksdale Group, a full service investment advisory firm he founded in April 1999. Prior to starting The Barksdale Group, he was President and Chief Executive Officer at Netscape Communications Corporation in Mountain View, California. Mr. Barksdale and his wife donated \$100-million to attack the problem of reading in Mississippi, by establishing the Barksdale Reading Institute in January 2001. The institute, located in Oxford, Mississippi, is designed to not only teach students how to read, but to educate teachers to teach children to read.

Bob Dunlap P.O. Box 720 Batesville, MS 38606 662-563-7601 (office)

Mr. Dunlap is in the auto parts and repair business.

Williard Sparks P.O. Box 17339 Memphis, TN 38187

Mr. Sparks is the owner of Sparks Financial in Memphis.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information or have any questions regarding this matter. Thank you.